

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

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BELL COURT APARTMENTS

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM:

Bell Court provides rent-subsidized units for eligible elderly, low-income County residents (50% of HUD AMI – approximately \$21,750/person per year). The development is named for the family of William Bell in thanks for his generous donation of land to Western Maryland Interfaith Housing Development Corporation. Western Maryland Interfaith Housing Development Corporation developed the property in conjunction with the County Housing Department using the Maryland Partnership Rental Housing Program.

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

The Bell Court Apartments community is located on West Adams Circle in Woodsboro, MD. Frederick County owns and manages the apartments and the development has an active Resident's Association. There are 28 one-bedroom townhome style units in a wooded setting on a large cul-de-sac surrounding a community center. All units have front and rear entrances and small yards. Small pets are allowed with approval and submission of a pet deposit.

BELL COURT APPLICATION PROCESS:

Please call 301-600-3504 and speak with a staff person <u>before</u> submitting an application for the Bell Court Apartments. This will allow us to explain the process and do a preliminary eligibility check for you. Applications for the wait list are available at the Department of Housing (FCDHCD) offices at 520 N. Market Street (open M – F/ 8-4 pm) or may be downloaded from our website at www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/Housing.

If you submit an application, your application will be reviewed for initial eligibility and then placed on the waiting list. Applicants are chosen based primarily on a preference point system, and then by date and time received. Bell Court has minimum turnover, so it is possible that a significant amount of time could pass until your name arrives at the top of the list.

When a unit becomes available:

Applications are reviewed and preference points are awarded to each applicant based on criteria such as:

- Is the applicant in a homeless situation
- Is the applicant a victim of domestic violence
- Is the applicant living in substandard housing
- Is the applicant a resident of Woodsboro

At that time, your application will be re-evaluated to determine your position on the list. If you are near to the top, you may be asked to update your information and a criminal and rent history background check will be conducted by our office.

Thank you for your interest. Please call 301-600-3504 for additional information.